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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to M.P.E.P. §609 and 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97-1.99, applicant submits herewith an information disclosure citation which lists references of which the applicant is aware. A copy of each of the references is also submitted herewith.

An English translation of WO 02/062252 is not available at this time. However, an English-language abstract of this reference is submitted herewith. It is respectfully submitted that the relevance of this reference can be readily understood by referring to the drawings of the patent and corresponding English-language abstract provided.

An English translation of WO 02/062253 is not available at this time. However, an English-language abstract of this reference is submitted herewith. It is respectfully submitted that the relevance of this reference can be readily understood by referring to the drawings of the patent and corresponding English-language abstract provided.

The specification for FR 1 104 897 is not available at this time. In this regard, please advise us in the event that submission of this reference is required.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists. While the term "references" is used in citing the publications called to the examiner's attention herein, applicants do not make any admission that each or all of them are "prior art" references within the meaning of the statutory and case law.

Applicant reserves the right to contend, where appropriate, that a reference asserted against any claim of the present application is not prior art under the facts and the law.

Applicant also reserves the right to present appropriate arguments and/or evidence to establish patentability over the references, should one or more of the references be applied against the claims of the present application.

Applicant respectfully requests that the examiner independently determine those items which the examiner would consider the most pertinent of all the references cited herein.

Applicant respectfully requests that the references be considered and made of record.

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This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed simultaneously with the filing of the application and therefore no fee is due. However, in the event that a fee is required, the Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500518.

Respectfully submitted,

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